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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: President Edward D. Eddy

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled University College and General Education Committee Report #83-84-2: Moratorium on Consideration of Existing Courses

_____ ,
is forwarded for your consideration.

2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on February 9, 1984 .
(date)
4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Governors, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
5. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on March 1, 1984 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Governors for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Governors, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

February 10, 1984
(date)

Marguerite Bumpus
Marguerite Bumpus
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

Returned.

- a. Approved ☒ _____.
- b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Governors _____.
- c. Disapproved _____.

2/29/84
(date)

Edward D. Eddy
President

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

On February 9, 1984, the Faculty Senate approved the following amended version of the recommendation of the UCGE Committee in the University College and General Education Committee Report #83-84-2:

That no additional existing courses, exclusive of courses already submitted for consideration at the college level, be considered by the UCGE Committee for general education credit until an evaluation of the current General Education Program has been completed as soon as possible, but no later than the fall of 1985.

(UCGE Report #83-84-2 is attached)

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FACULTY SENATE

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AND GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT #83-84-2

December 20, 1983

The University College and General Education Committee recommends that in order for the UCGE Committee to evaluate our current General Education Program, the Faculty Senate approve the following:

That no additional existing courses be considered by the UCGE Committee for general education credit until an evaluation of the current General Education Program has been completed as soon as possible, but no later than the fall of 1985.

Rationale:

The UCGE Committee has for some time thought that the overall quality of the present General Education Program and whether the Program meets the stated goals should be reviewed critically. However, the continuing flow of courses to be considered for addition into the General Education Program has taken up much of the committee's time and energy. The UCGE Committee believes that there are now a sufficient number of courses to meet student needs so that a moratorium on considering courses would not present a hardship for students. Furthermore, the committee thinks that it could better spend its time discovering and trying to remedy problem areas in the delivery of the courses and considering recommendations for improving or revising the General Education Program.

Because the UCGE Committee does not want to stop departments from creating new courses specifically designed for the General Education Program, the committee proposes that the moratorium only apply to the consideration of existing courses.